BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 96-232-W - ORDER NO. 96-589

August 26, 1996

IN RE: Concerned Citizens Against Carolina Water, Inc.,)) ORDER
Complainant, vs.) SETTING HEARING) AND ESTABLISHING) PRE-FILING DEADLINES
Carolina Water Service, Inc.,)
Respondent.))

before the Public Service matter comes This Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") for purpose of establishing pre-filing deadlines and setting a hearing date. This Docket was commenced upon the filing of Complaint by Brenda Bryant, individually, and the Concerned Citizens Against Carolina Water, Inc. ("CCACW"), Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS" or the against "Company").

In our Order No. 96-524, we instructed the Commission Staff ("Staff") to begin proceedings to pursue potential forfeiture of the Company's bond. In our Order No. 96-580, we expanded the scope of our examination in these matters.

Therefore, we now set a hearing date of September 25, 1996, at 10:30 A.M., in the Commission's Hearing Room at 111 Doctors Circle, Columbia, South Carolina. This hearing

will serve as a review to determine whether the Company willfully failed to provide adequate and sufficient service without just cause and excuse and whether such failure has continued for an unreasonable length of time. Additionally, we order CWS to demonstrate at the September 25, 1996, hearing that it has complied with the Commission's findings and conclusions set forth in Order No. 96-524 as they relate to the provision of adequate service through the purchase of water from another utility or municipality.

We also hereby order that twenty-five copies of the testimony and exhibits of Carolina Water Service, Inc., shall be pre-filed on or before September 11, 1996, and that twenty-five copies of the testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and all other parties (including both Complainants) shall be pre-filed on or before September 18, 1996.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION.

Chairman

Deputy Executive Director

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